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Ald. Robert Bauman (414) 286-2221

MEDIA ADVISORY

Snowbound Garbage Carts Being Tagged & Bypassed; Citizens Asked To Help Keep Them Clear Of Ice & Snow City Hall News Conference Today at 1:30 P.M.

Ald. Bob Donovan and **Ald. Robert J. Bauman** will host a news conference at 1:30 p.m. today (Monday, December 10, 2007) at City Hall to ask for the public's help in keeping garbage carts and recycling carts free of ice and snow so city sanitation crews can empty them.

Ald. Donovan said recent snowfalls have accumulated several inches of ice and snow around garbage carts in all areas of the city, creating problems for city workers. "In some instances garbage carts are actually frozen in place and hemmed in by six or eight inches of snow," said Ald. Donovan.

"It is the responsibility of citizens – whether they're home owners or tenants – to keep their garbage carts free of ice and snow so crews can empty them. Sanitation workers do not have to struggle with garbage carts that aren't shoveled out, and they can leave them where they are until someone digs them out," he said.

Ald. Bauman said overflowing garbage carts attract rats and can present serious health and nuisance problems for city residents and businesses. "This can all be avoided by shoveling out the carts and keeping them clear after every snowfall," said Ald. Bauman.

What: News Conference

When: 1:30 p.m. today

Where: City Hall, 200 E. Wells St.

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